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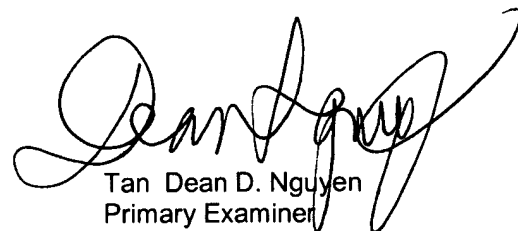
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The Appellant's Reply Brief filed 9/26/07 with Arguments in response to the Examiner's arguments in the Examiner's Answer of July 26 2007 are noted, however, they are not persuasive and appear to be repeated arguments of issues which are fairly addressed by the Examiner in the Examiner's Answer. No new Examiner's Answer is submitted. The case, with the original Examiner's Answer filed on July 26 2007 is forwarded to the BPAI.

  
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